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In re Application for:

Ainsworth et al.

Serial No.: 09/847,947

Filing Date: 5/2/2001

For: SELF-CLOSING SURGICAL CLIP FOR
TISSUE

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit: 3731



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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time for responding to the Notice of Missing Parts dated June 29, 2001. This extension will extend the time the response is due from August 29, 2001 to December 31, 2001 (December 29, 2001 falls on a Saturday).

- A four-month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$720.00.
- A [second/third] month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$*.
- A [one/two] month Petition for Extension of Time was previously filed with the appropriate fee on *.
- The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated *.

[X] Applicant is a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27

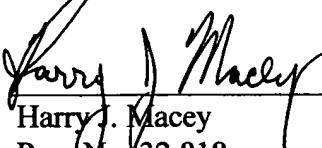
A check including the amount of the fee is enclosed (see fee transmittal sheet submitted herewith).

Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 50-1947, referencing docket no. *.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1947, referencing docket no. CSI-2016CP1

Respectfully submitted,

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